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The EPA's plan for contamination in the Willamette could be ineffective or even damage the environment. Besides, projections for what this could cost is way too much. The project is supposed to cost over \$700 million, but I don't even believe these cost and time estimates, as the government always tends to underestimate every project. This money could be better spent on building housing for the homeless.

The EPA should use the latest data and current information for their cleanup plan, particularly since we already have better information than we did 10 years ago. I am aggravated that the EPA would ignore it, and they should defer to the most recent data to form their proposal. Based on what we already know about the Willamette, it would make perfectly good sense to clean it up using a more flexible plan. San Diego had a badly contaminated bay, but they used different cleanup methods that were extremely successful. We should try using their methods instead of the EPA's current plan. We have a history of coming up with overly expensive plans that don't work, so we should start with tried-and-true methods.

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